



2007-2011 State Plan

DRAFT Amendments to Goals and Objectives

For Public Review and Comment

June 15 – July 30, 2007

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SCDD wants your thoughts on possible amendments to the State Plan!

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The State Council gets money from the Federal Government to help make California services better for people with developmental disabilities and their families. The Council tells the federal government this by creating a five-year State Plan that includes what activities the Council thinks are the most important to work on during that time. The current Plan started in October 2006 and covers activities up through September 2011.

The work of the Council includes the Council and Area Board Members and staff, as well as the Community Program Development Grants. There may be many important things that other people and agencies should be working on, but it is the job of the State Plan to describe where the Council will spend its time and money. At least 70 percent of all the federal money the Council receives must be spent working to achieve the goals and objectives in the approved State Plan.

The Council submitted the Plan to the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) in 2006 and it was approved by the. Every year the Council needs to look at the Plan again and see if any changes or updates should be made. The Council is now asking for people to review and comment on those possible changes.

This year's review and comment period is from June 15 to July 30, 2007. Copies of the draft Plan are on the Council website at www.scdd.ca.gov, or can be requested by calling the Council Office (toll-free) at 1-866-802-0514. People can tell the Council their thoughts about the proposed changes by sending a letter, fax or email:



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The State Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments at its Council meeting in Anaheim on July 17. The hearing will take place from 4:30-5:30PM at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 1240 S. Walnut Street, Anaheim, California.

The proposed amendments will also be on the agenda and open for public comment during the Area Board 5 meeting on June 27 at Golden Gate Regional Center, 875 Stevenson Street (Sixth Floor) San Francisco. The meeting begins at 7:00 PM. The agenda will be online at www.scdd.ca.gov.

The Council looks forward to hearing from you.

Summary of State Plan Changes

This is a quick list of the changes that the Council wants to make to the State Plan. There are only a few changes this year because the Plan is only one year old and the Council is still working on most of the things. In future years there might be more to change.

These are the changes that the Council wants to make:

Community Supports: Change the deadlines for some of the Assistive Technology and Emergency Preparedness activities from 2007 to 2008.

Health: Move up the deadline to launch a major statewide campaign telling women not to drink while they are pregnant. Because the project was already chosen and will start in October 2007, the deadline was moved from 2009 to 2008.

Quality Assurance: Self Advocacy — Move up the deadline for the Council to put information on the web in 10 different languages. The Council wants to move the deadline from 2011 to 2009 because people who speak other languages are not getting enough information about services and their rights, and it is too important to wait until 2011. The objective about meeting with groups of people by May 2007 will go away because that has already happened.

Keeping People Safe — Change one of the objectives about how to keep people with disabilities safe because there are new things that the work group (called a Think Tank) is going to work on this year.

The Council does not plan to make any changes in these areas:

- Education and Early Intervention
- Employment
- Housing
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Cross-Cutting (Public Awareness)

Area of Emphasis: Community Supports



Community Supports Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities and their families are fully included in all aspects of community life.

Community Supports Goal 1 Objectives:

CS 1.1 By September 30, 2011, 1300 Californians with developmental disabilities will participate in service and volunteer opportunities of their choosing.

CS 1.2 By September 30, 2011, 2500 children and youth with developmental disabilities will participate in inclusive community activities through Council efforts.

CS 1.3 By September 30, 2011, 500 adults with developmental disabilities will participate in community life in meaningful and fulfilling ways through Council efforts.

No amendments proposed

Community Supports Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities will experience increased inclusion and independence through the use of assistive technology.

Community Supports Goal 2 Objectives:

CS2.1 By September 30, ~~2007~~ **2008**, the Council will work collaboratively with appropriate entities to develop and implement a plan to educate staff and service coordinators about computer and assistive technologies and how these tools can be used to increase consumer and family control, choice and flexibility.

CS2.2 By September 30, 2008, the Council will work collaboratively to develop and implement a campaign to educate consumers and families about computer and assistive technologies and how these technologies can be used to maximize their developmental and educational potential.

CS2.3 By September 30, ~~2007~~ **2008**, the Council will advocate for policies that secure free (or low-cost) Internet access for adults with developmental disabilities.

CS2.4 The Council will work collaboratively on methods to ensure that staff/educators/providers who interact with the consumer are also properly trained in how the AT equipment works and is used.

- CS2.5 By September 30, 2009, the Council will advocate for the periodic re-evaluation and re-training of consumers periodically as their proficiency with the equipment increases
- CS2.6 By September 30, 2008, the Council will promote the creation of locations where consumers and their families can try out a variety of assistive technology choices to choose the equipment best suited to their individual needs.

Community Supports Goal 3:

Californians with developmental disabilities have full and equal protections in all state and federal emergency preparedness/homeland security programs.

Community Supports Goal 3 Objectives:

- CS3.1 By September 30, ~~2007~~ **2008**, The State Council will collaborate with other state and federal agencies to promote methods to ensure that all Californians with developmental disabilities and their families have a personal emergency plan, and will advocate for the inclusion of this information in all Individual Education and Program Plans (IEP/IPP).
- CS3.2 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will participate in a statewide Task Force to ensure that the needs of Californians with developmental disabilities and their families are included in all emergency preparedness training and services.
- CS3.3 By September 30, ~~2007~~ **2008**, the State Council will work collaboratively to convene a California Emergency Management Conference patterned after the June 2006 federal “Working Conference on Emergency Management and Individuals with Disabilities and the Elderly.”
- CS3.4 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will participate in California’s Emergency Preparedness Vulnerable Populations Subcommittee.

Area of Emphasis: Health

Health Goal 1:



Californians with developmental disabilities have access to a full range of coordinated health, dental and mental health services in their communities.

Health Goal 1 Objectives:

HE1.1 By September 30, 2011, the Council will promote policies and programs to educate physicians and clinicians on developmental disabilities on how to best provide appropriate health, mental health and dental care for consumers.

No amendments proposed

Health Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities have control, choice and flexibility over their health care.

Health Goal 2 Objectives:

HE2.1 By September 30, 2008, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will be educated on MediCal managed care and be able to make informed choices as a result.

No amendments proposed

Health Goal 3:

Californians will achieve optimal health and wellness through the prevention of primary and secondary causes of disabilities and promotion of healthy lifestyles.

Health Goal 3 Objectives:

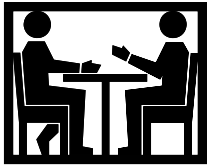
HE3.1 The Council will educate at least 100 policymakers, public officials and health professionals per year on the importance and need for universal developmental screenings for all children.

HE3.2 By September 30, ~~2009~~ **2008**, the Council will work collaboratively to launch a major statewide campaign to educate the public on the dangers of drinking while pregnant.

HE3.3 The Council will collaborate with the Governor's office and other state agencies on programs and projects that maximize health and wellness, including physical fitness, nutrition and obesity prevention.

- HE3.4 By September 30, 2009, the Council will educate juvenile court judges, probation departments, mental health and social service agencies, educators, and regional centers in at least eight Counties on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD), its prevention, associated secondary disabilities, diagnostic information, local resources, interventions, and best practices.
- HE3.5 By September 30, 2008, the Council will establish at least one consumer peer-to-peer project to educate consumers on achieving optimal health through physical activity, healthy lifestyles, proper nutrition and obesity prevention.
- HE3.6 By September 30, 2007, the Council will advocate for at least one State-funded research grant related to Alzheimer's and Down Syndrome.

Area of Emphasis: Quality Assurance



Quality Assurance Goal 1:

Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families have control, choice and flexibility in the services they receive.

Quality Assurance Goal 1 Objectives:

- QA1.1 By September 30, 2008, 200 people with developmental disabilities and their family members will receive intensive leadership development training to enable them to successfully hold leadership positions at the state and local level. At least 50% will hold leadership positions within 2 years of completion of training.
- QA1.2 By September 30, 2011, the number of Californians with developmental disabilities who participate in self-advocacy groups will increase by 10% per year.
- QA1.3 By September 30, 2011, 10,000 individuals with developmental disabilities will gain the skills and supports to advocate on their own behalf and for their peers.
- QA1.4 By September 30, 2011, 10,000 family members of people with developmental disabilities will gain the skills and supports to advocate on their own and other families' behalf. At least 10% of these will have a primary language other than English.
- QA1.5 By September 30, 2011, 13,000 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families will have improved access to timely and accurate multi-lingual and easily understood culturally competent information about self-directed services and other new initiatives.
- QA1.6 By September 30, 2011, 13,000 people with developmental disabilities and their families will have improved access to an array of quality services of their choice through Council legislative and other advocacy.
- QA1.7 By September 30, 2011, 1,000 consumer and family members will participate in social/support groups of their choosing, based on mutual interest and support.
- QA1.8 By September 30, 2011, the State Council will utilize Life Quality Assessments and other activities to identify and eliminate systemic barriers and promote systemic improvements.
- QA1.9 By September 30, ~~2011~~ **2009**, the State Council will develop easily understood information about the services system and consumer and family rights and will post it to the web in at least 10 languages.

QA1.10 By September 30, 2011, the State Council will collaborate with DDS to implement an Interagency Dispute Resolution Pilot Project that improves timely access to services.

~~QA1.11 By May 1, 2007, the State Council will convene a series of meetings with underserved populations to identify specific objectives that will be considered for inclusion in the August 2007 State Plan Update.~~

Quality Assurance Goal 2:



Californians with developmental disabilities are free of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and are provided equal access to protection and legal remedies when those rights are violated.

Quality Assurance Goal 2 Objectives:

QA2.1 By September 30, ~~2007~~ **2009**, the State Council ~~will convene~~ **through** the “Abuse Victims with Disabilities Think Tank” ~~funded by the federal Children’s Justice Act,~~ **will develop system recommendations to reduce the incidence of abuse of children with developmental disabilities and improve response services for victims.**

QA2.2 The Council, in collaboration with its federal DD Act partners (PAI, USC and UCLA), will continue advocating for implementation of the recommendations contained in its joint report, “Abuse and Neglect of Adults with Developmental Disabilities: A Public Health Priority for California.”

Area of Emphasis: Education and Early Intervention

No changes proposed



Education and Early Intervention Goal 1:

California infants and toddlers reach their developmental potential and families have the necessary supports to provide for their family member's special needs.

Education and Early Intervention Goal 1 Objectives:

- ED1.1 The Council will promote policies that give infants and toddlers and their families access to culturally appropriate and timely diagnosis, services and supports to maximize developmental potential and strengthen families.

Education and Early Intervention Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities have control, choice and flexibility in the education they receive.

Education and Early Intervention Goal 2 Objectives:

- ED2.1 Every Year 2000 students with developmental disabilities and their families will have information, advocacy and support in multiple languages to receive an appropriate education through Council and area board efforts
- ED2.2 The Council will replicate successful technical assistance models to increase the participation of 100 children per year in inclusive preschools
- ED2.3 By September 30, 2008, the Council will promote effective programs/policies that successfully transition students with developmental disabilities to post-secondary opportunities.

Area of Emphasis: Employment

No changes proposed



Employment Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities obtain, succeed and advance in employment consistent with their interests, abilities, and needs.

Employment Goal 1 Objectives:

- EM1.1 By September 30, 2011, 650 Californians with developmental disabilities will obtain paid employment or self employment of their choosing.
- EM1.2 By September 30, 2011, the Council will work collaboratively to improve California regulations/policies to ensure a smoother transition from education to employment.
- EM1.3 By September 30, 2011, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities will be educated/trained in multiple languages regarding employment options, incentives and resources.

- EM1.4 By September 30, 2011, the Council will advocate for introduction of career possibilities curriculum for all children in regular and special education by age 10.
- EM1.5 By September 30, 2011, 500 consumers, family members, providers and employers will be educated/trained on assistive technology for the workplace.
- EM1.6 By September 30, 2011, the Council will collaborate with appropriate entities to achieve the system reforms contained in SB1270.

Area of Emphasis: Housing

No changes proposed



Housing Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities have access to affordable housing that provides control, choice and flexibility regarding where and with whom they live.

Housing Objectives:

- HO1.1 By September 30, 2011, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will have information and training in multiple languages on affordable/accessible housing.
- HO1.2 By September 30, 2011, 500 units of affordable/accessible housing will be available to Californians with developmental disabilities through Council efforts.
- HO1.3 By September 30, 2011, 200,000 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families throughout the State will receive information on Council-funded online Statewide Housing Program Locator.
- HO1.4 By September 30, 2009, the Council will advocate for California to apply for a Social Security waiver allowing individuals with developmental disabilities to save up to \$10,000 in the bank.

Area of Emphasis: Recreation

No changes proposed



Recreation Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities of all ages will have full access to and inclusion in community social and recreation programs.

Recreation Objectives:

- RE1.1 By September 30, 2011, 500 Californians with developmental disabilities will participate in community social and recreational opportunities of their own choosing through Council efforts.

Area of Emphasis: Transportation

No changes proposed



Transportation Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will have access to transportation that enables full participation in all aspects of community life.

Transportation Objectives:

- TR1.1 By September 30, 2009, the Council will **participate in the development of** a coordinated transportation system model that serves the needs of people with developmental disabilities through public/private collaborative efforts.

This change is proposed because a nonprofit collaborative, Full Access and Coordinated Transportation (FACT), has been established for this purpose.

- TR1.2 By September 30, 2011, the Council will replicate the coordinated transportation model in at least one other area.

Cross-Cutting*

**Cross-Cutting is a category used by the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) to reflect specific activities (including public awareness/education) that cut across all areas.*

No changes proposed



Cross-Cutting Goal 1:

The Council will use community education and awareness to shape public policy that positively impacts Californians with developmental disabilities and their families.

Cross-Cutting Objective:

- CC1.1 By September 30, 2011, 1 million Californians will be educated on the abilities and strengths of individuals with developmental disabilities.